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Hazardous Activity Restrictions

- REFERENCES:
- a. DCI's Communications Intelligence Security Regulations (CISR), effective November 1973, Para. 82
 - b. SECDEF-D-14, "Waiver of Hazardous Activity Restrictions Overflights

1. Reference a. lists areas in which, during peacetime, either residence or official or unofficial visits may constitute "hazardous activities"; and it prescribes that the lists of hazardous areas will be reviewed at least annually by the SIGINT Committee and revisions circulated to USIB members for incorporation in the CISR on a no objection basis.

2. In Reference b., without even referencing Reference a., the Chairman of the Security Committee provides to Security Committee members a policy change with regard to relaxation of the waiver requirement for overflight

3. This procedure is obviously not in accordance with that contemplated when USIB approved the CISR. Although the SIGINT Committee has not undertaken a single review or circulated a single revision since promulgation of the CISR, there does not appear to be any justification for another Committee to assume these functions without charter. It is suggested that NSA representatives take steps to:

a. Encourage the Security Committee to coordinate its "findings" of this kind with the SIGINT Committee, and encourage both Committees to utilize the mechanism already approved by USIB.

b. Encourage the SIGINT Committee to implement its responsibility to review the hazardous area lists at least annually (and, by implication, to issue more frequent changes as appropriate).

4. If, on the other hand, the SIGINT Committee wishes to abdicate its assigned responsibility, then this function should be excised, by USIB, from the CISR and given to the Security Committee for implementation (preferably in some more formal vehicle than a memorandum to members).

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